



# MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS

# Big Game Retriever<sup>®</sup> Pro Reels include the 4 in Quiver & Mount System

The 4 in 1 Mount System allows simple installation, adjustment and removal of our reels. The clamp feature allows the reel to move horizontally and vertically as well as allowing quick removal of the reel for storage. The optimal location will be the most comfortable. It will be where your index finger easily reaches the trigger while holding the bow.

#### **Trigger Guard:**

The trigger guard is the long rubber tube that is installed on your trigger. DO NOT cut it off. It is designed to keep excess loose line from getting behind the trigger on the shot which can damage your reel. Simply push the narrow end into a hole on bow riser or zip tie it directly to your riser allowing slack for movement of the trigger.



# Arrow Quiver Tip Storage

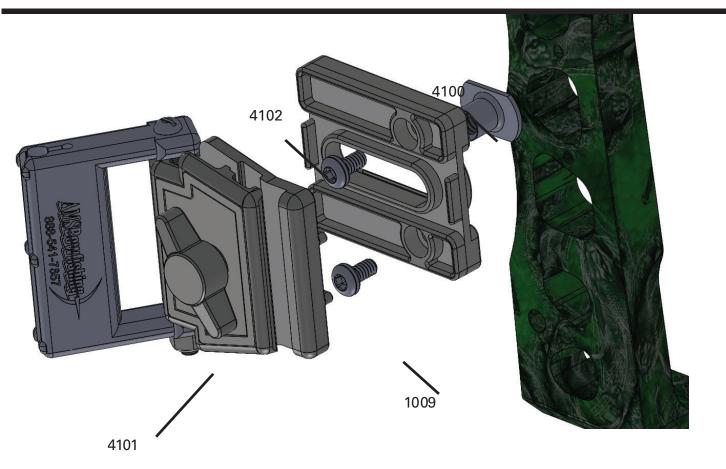
#### 4 in 1 Mount Features:

- Quiver: Align the arrow parallel to quiver, push in one end and then the other. The first several insertions may be extra tight until the quiver has had a chance to conform to the arrow.
- **Tip Holder:** Store three tips safely. Just push in a couple spare tips.
- **Tool Holder**: Integrated channels hold 3/16", 1/8" and 1/16" hex wrenches.

4 Way Adjustable Clamp

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- 1. Loosen thumb screw (4101) to detach female base mount (4102) from quiver/clamp assembly.
- 2. Keep the slab nut (4100) in the back of the female base mount.
- 3. Position the female base mount, as shown, over the sight holes on your bow riser and secure with the 3/8" screws (1009) provided.
- 4. Re-attach assembly to the female base mount but do not tighten.
- 5. Position reel on the bow at the desired location.



- 6. The clamp and quiver allows the reel to move forward and back, up and down.
- 7. Adjust reel so index finger easily reaches trigger while holding the bow.
- 8. If Retriever is too far forward, reverse female base mount on the bow riser.
- 9. If more distance is needed between bow riser and bottle, remove entire assembly, add 3/16" spacer, and attach with 7/8" screws provided.
- 10. When the reel is in the desired location, tighten the thumb screw completely.
- 11. After mounting the reel, thread the narrow end of the trigger guard into a hole on the riser. The Trigger Guard is the long rubber sleeve that helps prevent excess loose line from tangling with trigger. Simply push the narrow end into a hole on bow riser. If no hole is available, use a zip-tie to secure the end of the trigger guard to bow riser. This feature prevents any excess or loose line from getting behind the trigger on the shot.
- 12. To insert arrow into quiver, align arrow parallel to it, push in one end and then other. Arrow should be between the Retriever bottle and bow riser.
- 13. Always pay attention to your line and keep it as tight as possible between your reel and AMS EverGlide<sup>®</sup> Safety Slide<sup>®</sup> by using the line retainer before every shot.



# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

#### **Pre-shot Checklist:**

ALL AMS Retriever<sup>®</sup> reels work best when the line is wet.
 Toss your arrow by hand into the water to wet the line before taking the first shot

3. Check that the arrow point and/or tip is tight and barbs properly oriented.

#### **Nocking:**

1. Firmly nock the arrow.

- 2. Ensure that the arrow shock pad is up and the AMS EverGlide<sup>®</sup> Safety Slide<sup>®</sup> slide is in front of the arrow rest. Erratic arrow flight will occur if it is nocked upside down.
- 3. Pull the trigger gently, and crank in excess loose line. While holding trigger, slip the line into the line retainer located at the mouth of the reel. Always pay attention to your line and keep it as tight as possible between your reel and AMS EverGlide<sup>®</sup> Safety Slide<sup>®</sup> by using the line retainer before every shot.

#### Shooting:

- 1. Draw There's nothing to do on the shot, no buttons to remember to push etc. Just keep your hand on the bow and fingers off the trigger. For best form, try to come to full draw and anchor at the corner of your mouth before releasing the bowstring.
- 2. Aim Most bowfishers do NOT use a sight when shooting. Always aim low light refraction will affect initial shots until repetition creates the ability to shoot instincively.
- Shoot Release the bowstring. The EverGlide<sup>®</sup> Safety Slide<sup>®</sup> will glide to the tail of the arrow and stop at the shock pad, allowing for near perfect arrow flight.

#### **Retrieving a Missed Shot:**

- 1. Gently pull the trigger, which compresses the trigger roller over the line and onto the rubber drive roller to engage line retrieval.
- Crank the reel while holding the trigger to retrieve the arrow.
- 3. Repeat above steps.

#### Retrieving a Fish:

- 1. Hand over Hand: The most exciting way to retrieve a fish is by taking the line in hand over hand. Set down your bow, grab your line and pull in the fish.
- 2. Crank to Retrieve: The AMS Retriever<sup>®</sup> reels are designed with zero drag. They do not have an adjustable fighting drag. You can control line release using your trigger. With a little practice you can fight your fish by pumping your bow and taking up slack line on the down stroke.

#### **Line Inspection:**

1. Inspect line regularly for wear or excessive twist. AMS reels should operate smoothly. Twisted line can cause tangles. Hold the line a few feet from the arrow and let the arrow untwist freely. If there is any binding or mis-feeding see adjustment instructions at www.amsbowfi shing.com.



# **BOWFISHING INSPECTION 101**

#### Inspection Items

- 1. Check for any loose parts on sight, quiver, rest, etc. and tighten.
- 2. Inspect the bowstring and cable. If either is frayed or has broken strands, replace it before using. If the protective servings are loose or have come undone, either have the string re-served or replace it.
- 3. Check the bow limbs for cracks or splits. If any limb appears damaged, DO NOT USE bow. Take the bow to a qualified pro shop and have it looked at by a trained professional or call AMS Bowfishing directly for service options.
- 4. Check your cam and idler wheel for dents or gouges that can damage the bowstring. Do not use bow until repaired or replaced.
- 5. Check your arrows. Look for cracks or loose fibers in the shaft which can cause slivers and misguided arrows. Look at the AMS EverGlide<sup>®</sup> Safety Slide<sup>®</sup> and shock pad. Make sure it is moving freely on the shaft and that the shock pad is tight beneath the screw.
- 6. Check line for frays and knots. Replace line that is badly frayed. Twisted line causes knots. Twists can be worked out by removing the arrow and pulling all the line from the bottle over an open area and slowly retrieving the line back into the reel.
- 7. Make sure the trigger guard is securely attached to the bow riser. It prevents excess loose line from entangling with trigger.
- 8. Use polarized sunglasses for day shooting. They reduce glare dramatically on the water and make fish easier to see. Use safety glasses at night.
- 9. Wear a hat with a visor and keep the sun to your back for the best visibility for day shooting.
- 10. Sun protection, gloves and cell phone, GPS and first aid kit.

# **BOWFISHING TIPS**

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- 2. Use safety glasses at night.
- 3. Wear a hat with a visor and keep the sun to your back for the best visibility for day shooting.
- 4. Sun protection
- 5. Gloves